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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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## **RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT TRANSMITTAL**

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to restriction requirement in the above-identified application.

- [X] Small Entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a previous assertion of Small Entity status.
- [X] The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

|                        | Claims<br>As<br>Amended |       | Previously<br>Paid For |       | Extra<br>Claims<br>Present |     | Rate     |     | Additional<br>Claims Fee |
|------------------------|-------------------------|-------|------------------------|-------|----------------------------|-----|----------|-----|--------------------------|
| Total Claims:          | 14                      | -     | 20                     | =     | 0                          | х   | \$18.00  | =   | \$0.00                   |
| Independent<br>Claims: | 4                       | -     | 4                      | ===   | 0                          | x   | \$86.00  | =   | \$0.00                   |
| First p                | resentation of          | of ar | ıy Multiple I          | Deper | ndent Claims:              | +   | \$290.00 | =   | \$0.00                   |
|                        |                         |       |                        |       | CLAIMS                     | FEI | E TOTAL  | = . | \$0.00                   |

[X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

| [X] Extension for response filed within the first month:  | \$110.00                              | \$110.00 |
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| [ ] Extension for response filed within the second month: | \$420.00                              | \$0.00   |
| [ ] Extension for response filed within the third month:  | \$950.00                              | \$0.00   |
| [ ] Extension for response filed within the fourth month: | \$1,480.00                            | \$0.00   |
| [ ] Extension for response filed within the fifth month:  | ed within the fifth month: \$2,010.00 |          |
| EXTENSION   | FEE TOTAL:                            | \$110.00 |
| [ ] Statutory Disclaimer Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.20(d):     | \$110.00                              | \$0.00   |
| CLAIMS, EXTENSION AND DISCLAIMER                          | FEE TOTAL:                            | \$110.00 |
| [ X ] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract                   | \$55.00                               |          |
|   | TOTAL FEE:                            | \$55.00  |

- [X] A check in the amount of \$55.00 is enclosed.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper responds to the restriction requirement dated 04-28-2004. It is timely as it is filed with a one-month extension of time and the \$55 (small entity) fee.

The restriction requirement dated required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to one of the following groups:

- I. Claims 72-74, 75 in part, 76-77 and 80, being drawn to compounds wherein  $R_2$  is a heterocyclic/quinone ring;
- II. Claim 78 and 79, drawn to multiple active ingredients composition; if this group is elected, a further election of a single disclosed composition is also required;
- III. Claim 75 in part, drawn to compounds wherein R<sub>2</sub> is nonheterocyclic; if this group is elected, a further election of a single disclosed composition is also required;
- IV. Claims 81 and 82, drawn to a composition comprising a compound of claim 80 formula I; if this group is elected, a further election of a single disclosed composition is also required; and

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V. Claims 83-85, drawn to multiple active ingredients composition where one is a compound of claim 80 formula I, if this group is elected, a further election of a single disclosed composition is also required.

Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Group I, claims 72-74, 75 in part, 76-77, and 89 with traverse. Indeed, proper restriction requirements require that the PTO demonstrate a serious burden to examine more than one group. Yet the evidence and explanation of record fail to establish as such. For example, Groups I and III were classified in class 548. Similarly, Groups II and IV-V were classified in class 514. It is respectfully submitted that that evidence and explanation fail to establish the serious burden required to maintain the five-way restriction requirement.

If necessary, nevertheless, Applicants will request rejoinder of the claims. MPEP 821.04.

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